

Department for Work and Pensions

Meetings with external organisations including meetings with newspaper and other media proprietors, editors and senior executives¹

Period: 1 October to 31 December 2013

Secretary of State for Work and Pensions The Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith MP

| Date of Meeting | Name of External Organisation | Purpose of Meeting |
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| Oct | XLP | To discuss prevention strategies |
| Oct | Politeia | To discuss future pensions and benefit reform |
| Oct | The Heritage Foundation | Catch up meeting about the work of the Department |
| Dec | The Heritage Foundation | Catch up meeting about the work of the Department |
| Dec | Safe Families for Children | Introduction meeting about the work of the Department |
| Dec | Marks & Spencer | Movement to Work |
| Dec | Policy Exchange | Drugs Policy |

Minister of State (Minister for Employment) Esther McVey MP

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| Oct | Employment and Skills Group Association of Project Management (APM UK) | Work programme Provider |
| Oct | Pertemps | Work programme Provider |
| Oct | Employment Related Services Association (ERSA) | To discuss the working relationship with the industry and the DWP |
| Oct | Inside Track | To discuss business networking for disabled people |
| Oct | Mini Factory (Oxford) | To discuss youth Unemployment |
| Oct | Whitbread | Apprenticeship and Employers discussion |
| Oct | ACEVO/CDG Work Programme Review Group | Work programme Provider |
| Nov | Outsourcery | To discuss work |

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| | | placement schemes and youth Unemployment |
| Nov | Confederation of British Industry (CBI) | To discuss CBI's priorities in tackling unemployment |
| Nov | ZappaWoo Ltd | To discuss employment & Disability |
| Nov | G4S | Work programme Provider |
| Nov | The Benjamin Foundation | To discuss Employment Programmes |
| Nov | St Edmunds | To discuss Vocational Skills training opportunities |
| Nov | Working Links | Work programme sub contractor |
| Nov | JCom Employment Agency | Discussing Benefits and unemployment |
| Nov | Premier Inn | to discuss youth employment and employment opportunities |
| Nov | Homeless link | To discuss impact of sanctions on homeless claimants |
| Nov | Media Friendly | Discussing employment opportunities |
| Nov | Association of Project Management (APM UK) | Work programme Provider |
| Nov | Trade Association Round Table National Care Association UK Home Care Association CITB Federation of Master Builders Hire Association Europe Glass and Glazing Federation British Institute of Facilities Management Asset Skills Asset Skills British Insurance Brokers Association British Hospitality Association British Beer & Pub Association British Beer & Pub Association Business in Sport and Leisure British Institute of Inn Keeping British Institute of Inn Keeping British Franchise Association Springboard UK Road Haulage Association Recruitment and Employment Confederation | Trade Association Roundtable |

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| | Food & Drink Federation Institute of Grocery and Distribution National Market Traders Federation Association of Convenience Stores British Security Industry Association Institute of Conservation National Skills Academy for Environmental Technologies Engineering Industries Association Confederation of Passenger Transport British Retail Consortium British Council of Shopping Centres | |
| Nov | Ingeus | Work programme Provider |
| Dec | Give Us a Chance Consortium | Employment programmes by social landlords |
| Dec | Action Acton | Discussing training and work experience opportunities |
| Dec | MORRISONS | Discussing training and work experience opportunities |
| Dec | Remploy | To discuss the next steps and future of Remploy |
| Dec | British Chambers of Commerce | Discussing employment opportunities |
| Dec | The Passage | Visit to look at provisions for disadvantaged groups |
| Dec | Marks and Spencer | Discussing Apprenticeships and Youth Employment |
| Dec | DEMOS roundtable Charter School, Southwark Entrepreneurs in Action Capita mungos Intrel Interserve Ingeus Campaign for Learning City and Guilds NIACE Oxfam | Roundtable with Prime Providers on Work Programme |

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| | Work Foundation Social Market Foundation Save the Children Sovereign Strategy City and Guilds London Councils Gingerbread CIPD Skills Commission 2020 Delivery A4E A4E Social Market Foundation | |
| Dec | City of London | Discussing employment opportunities/work experience |

**Minister of State (Minister for Pensions)
Steve Webb MP**

| Date of Meeting | Name of External Organisation | Purpose of Meeting |
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| Oct | Trustees of the following organisations: Sainsburys Pension Fund Superannuation Arrangements - University of London (SAUL) Pitmans Trustees Ltd GKN Pension Scheme (formerly known as <i>Guest, Keen and Nettlefolds</i>) Nuclear Pension Plans (CNPP) Amey Comax/BRE Pension Scheme Fairpensions Association of Member-Nominated Trustees | Private Pensions |
| Oct | Zurich | Pensions Liberation |
| Oct | Lane Clark and Peacock | UK pensions |
| Oct | Financial Conduct Authority - FCA | Private pensions |
| Oct | JLT Employee Benefits | Pension industry initiatives |
| Oct | Harwich Haven Authority | Pension protection |
| Nov | Principles for Responsible Investment (a United Nations initiative) | Pensions reform |
| Nov | Association of British Insurers | Workplace pensions and pensions reform |

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| Nov | B&CE Benefit Schemes | Private pensions |
| Nov | Lane Clarke and Peacock The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) Prudential The Society of Pension Consultants (SPC) Buck Consultants Financial Services Authority (FSA) Punter Southall The Pensions Trust Wragge &Co Pensions Management Institute (PMI) Sackers Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) Charity Finance Group (CFG) Pinsent Masons Barnett Waddingham Norton Rose | Private pensions |
| Nov | Pensions Ombudsman | Pensions Liberation |
| Nov | Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association (TIAA) and College Retirement Equities Fund (CREF) | Defined Ambition |
| Nov | Hargreaves Lansdowne | Private Pensions |
| Nov | Federation of the Dutch Pension Funds, Pensions Europe, Algemene Pensioen Groep (APG Group), PGGM Dutch Pension Fund | Defined Ambition |
| Dec | Carers UK | Caring and Family Finances Inquiry |
| Dec | Financial Conduct Authority | Private pensions |
| Dec | Lloyds Banking Group | Pension reform |
| Dec | NOW Pensions | Automatic Enrolment |
| Dec | Carol Sergeant | ABI legacy review |

Minister of State (Minister for Disabled People)

Mike Penning MP

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| Oct | Remploy | Quarterly Meeting to discuss the work of the Department |
| Oct | Changing Faces Charity | To discuss an employers |

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| | | campaign on employing more disabled people. |
| Oct | Ayudante Factory | Visit to factory employing former remploy staff |
| Oct | PACT for Autism | Meeting to raise issues relating to people with autism |
| Oct | Diverse HR Solutions and Dan Biddell | To discuss Disability Confident Campaign |
| Nov | Hop Skip and Jump Charity | Meeting to inform Minister of the charities work. |
| Nov | Rethink Charity | Meeting to discuss mental health issues. |
| Nov | Stephen Martin Hanley | To discuss the Tainted Blood campaign |
| Nov | Centre for Social Justice | To discuss veterans and homelessness |
| Nov | Carers UK Charity | Introductory meeting with new CEO – discussion about the work of the department |
| Nov | Office Nuclear Regulation | Introductory meeting with CEO – discussion about the work of the department |
| Dec | McMillan Cancer Support | To raise issues relating to terminally ill cancer patients |
| Dec | RNIB (Royal National institute for the Blind) College | Meeting to discuss Residential Train Colleges. |

**Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State (Minister for Welfare Reform)
Lord Freud**

| Date of Meeting | Name of External Organisation | Purpose of Meeting |
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| Oct | RAND | Mental health policy |
| Oct | Local Government Association | Universal Credit |
| Oct | Financial Conduct Authority | Universal Credit |
| Oct | Payments Council Vocalink | Payments industry innovations |
| Oct | Narrowgate night shelter Salford Local Authority | Housing benefits and night shelters |
| Oct | Association of British Insurers | Mesothelioma Bill |
| Oct | Hammersmith Local Authority Fulham Local Authority TNT Home Instead Premier Inn | Universal Credit |

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| | Game Kotuku Vue Cinema Westfield RST Security Work Place Solutions Ocado Wilmott Dixon | |
| Oct | Southwark Council Lambeth Council Lewisham Council | Local Support Services framework |
| Oct | Policy in Practice | Universal Credit calculator |
| Oct | Chartered Institute of Housing | Welfare Reform |
| Nov | Rugby Local Authority BarkerRoss Group Midlands Recruitment and Employment Confederation Rugby First FRS recruitment Tesco Pinnacle Care Pertemps Premier People | Universal Credit |
| Nov | Enfield Local Authority | Welfare reform |
| Nov | British Bankers' Association Citizens Advice Bureau | Universal Credit |
| Nov | Tinder Foundation | Digital deal |
| Nov | Citizens Advice Scotland | Benefit and Welfare Reform |
| Nov | A2 Dominion | Digital deal |
| Nov | New Start Highland Dobbies Garden Centre Cobbs Group National Health Service AJG Parcels Ironworks Lifescan Inverness Leisure | Universal Credit |
| Dec | Local Government Association | Single Fraud investigation service |
| Dec | FIS Vocalink | Fraud prevention |
| Dec | Childhood Bereavement Network | Pensions Bill |
| Dec | Association of British Insurers | Mesothelioma Bill |

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